



Memorandum

**TO: RULES AND OPEN
GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE**

FROM: Councilmember Rose Herrera
Councilmember Johnny
Khamis

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: December 4, 2014

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SUBJECT: AIRPORT GROUND TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Implement City Council direction from the March 4, 2014 memorandum regarding demand ground transportation management for the Mineta San José International Airport.
2. Modify RFP SJC131415 On-Demand Ground Transportation Management for the SJC Mineta International Airport as follows:
 - a. Delete the following language from the RFP: "It is not expected, nor would an option be reviewed and approved by the Airport that calls for an equal/ identical number of drivers to be assigned to the Airport per company despite the size of the company."
 - b. Add the following language to the RFP: "Qualified cab companies will be required to provide an equal number of taxi cabs at the Airport to meet the demand from first to last flight, or from 5:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight. The cab companies can schedule their drivers by 8 hours or more per day shift to give all of their drivers a chance to work at the Airport."

BACKGROUND

On March 4th the City Council discussed the Airport Ground Transportation Program. One of the main focuses of the discussion was on whether the final system would be structured in such a way that it will operate fairly and be open to all San José cab companies. Through the course of discussion, equity and company control among the San José cab companies were major defining features of an open and fair system. This can be seen in Councilmember Chu's amendment that was adopted by council, and Councilmember Herrera Comments from March 4th:

“Staff ensure that the ability to work at the airport will be distributed equally among companies by the dispatch company.” City Council Minutes, March 04, 2014, Page 23.

“In the modified option 2 that we're talking about, we're basing this on the companies, as opposed to the drivers.” Comment made by Councilmember Rose Herrera at the March 4th 2014 Council Meeting.

ANALYSIS

Council direction from March 4, 2014 was to implement a modified Staff Option A. The purpose and intent of the memo was to base the new system on cab companies, not drivers, to ensure companies had adequate access and control based on the liability they shouldered within the system. The current Airport RFP is based on drivers and not cab companies. The language should be modified to reflect a system that when implemented follows the Council direction from March 4.